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TAGS: ETRN, UK, FR

SUBJ: CIVAIR - CONCORDE

REF: PARIS 4276

1. BRITISH PRESS GAVE FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE TO FRENCH TRANSPORT MINISTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE (REFTEL) IN WHICH HE OUTLINED GOF PROPOSALS THAT WILL BE MADE TO BRITISH CONCERNING FUTURE OF ANGLO/FRENCH CONCORDE PROGRAM.

2. ONLY EDITORIAL COMMENT WE HAVE SEEN THUS FAR ON FRENCH PROPOSALS HAS BEEN IN GUARDIAN UNDER HEADING "CONCORDE STARTS ITS DESCENT." GUARDIAN OBSERVES: "IT HAS TAKEN THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT A VERY LONG TIME TO REALIZE THAT CONCORDE IS AN UNSALEABLE PRODUCT. YESTERDAY'S STATEMENT BY M. GUENA IS AN ADMISSION THAT THE EXPERIMENT IS OVER, THAT SELF-DELUSION MUST STOP, AND THAT THE TIME HAS COME TO SET A TERM TO PRODUCTION. THIS IS SENSIBLE AND WELCOME. . . . THE WAY IN WHICH BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALLOWED A HANKERING AFTER PRESTIGE TO BLIND THEM TO THE EVIDENCE HAS BEEN AN EXAMPLE OF ANGLO-FRENCH COOPERATION AT ITS WORST. THE SOONER IT IS OVER THE BETTER."

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3. OTHER PRESS COVERAGE WILL FOLLOW BY AIRGRAM.

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